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SUBJECT: SPECIAL TRADE OPPORTUNITY - OPERATING EQUIPMENT (UN-
LOADING) FOR RAILROAD HOPPER CARS

1. MINISTRIES OF MERCHANT FLEET AND RAILWAY TRANSPORT
HAVE REQUESTED INFORMATION ON US FIRMS THAT PRODUCE
APPARATUS WHICH OPERATES OPENING MECHANISM OF HOPPER
CARS. MIN. MERCHANT FLEET HAS SEEN SUCH EQUIPMENT IN
USE BY UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD. WE DO NOT HAVE FURTHER
DETAILS BUT MACHINERY APPARENTLY RUNS ALONGSIDE HOPPER
CAR AND OPENS DUMP SECTION.

2. COMMENT: SOVIETS ARE PROBABLY INTERESTED IN SUCH
EQUIPMENT IN ORDER TO FACILITATE CLEANING OF CARS FOR
ALTERNATIVE USES, I.E. FROM CARRYING SAND AND GRAVEL TO
SOYBEANS AND WHEAT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED - PLEASE ADVISE NAMES AND ADDRESSES
OF US FIRMS WHICH MANUFACTURE ABOVE EQUIPMENT. ALSO
CITE NAME USDOC ACTION OFFICER. TOON

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